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CATTLE ON FEED



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U.S. Cattle on Feed Up 7 Percent

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States, for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head, totaled 12.1 million head on February 1, 2006 according to the USDA-NASS Minnesota Field Office. The inventory was 7 percent above February 1, 2005 and 9 percent above February 1, 2004.

Placements in feedlots during January totaled 2.20 million, 16 percent above 2005 and 25 percent above 2004. Net placements were 2.12 million. During January, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 530,000, 600-699 pounds were 447,000, 700-799 pounds were 702,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 520,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during January totaled 1.81 million, up 2 percent from 2005 and up 2 percent from 2004.

Other disappearance totaled 83,000 during January, 14 percent above 2005 but 12 percent below 2004.

Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States 2005-2006 ¹

	Feb 1, 2005	Jan 1, 2006	Feb 1, 2006		
State			Number	as % of 2005	as % of Jan
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	Percent
AZ	*328	334	346	105	104
CA	525	550	550	105	100
CO	1,060	1,080	1,110	105	103
ID	270	275	265	98	96
IA	465	510	520	112	102
KS	2,420	2,500	2,580	107	103
NE	2,350	2,430	2,490	106	102
NM	129	143	146	113	102
OK	350	370	375	107	101
SD	205	205	210	102	102
TX	2,720	2,920	3,030	111	104
WA	190	152	153	81	101
Oth Sts	330	335	335	102	100
US	*11,342	11,804	12,110	107	103

^{*} Revised.

¹ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

Cattle on Feed: Number Placed on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots, by Month, State, and United States 2005-2006

State	During Jan 2005	During Dec 2005	During Jan 2006		
			Number	as % of 2005	as % of Dec
	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	1,000 Head	Percent	Percent
AZ	*30	35	39	130	111
CA	59	69	71	120	103
CO	175	155	225	129	145
ID	37	48	46	124	96
IA	77	65	81	105	125
KS	475	495	570	120	115
NE	425	350	425	100	121
NM	18	20	18	100	90
OK	55	64	65	118	102
SD	41	46	38	93	83
TX	425	465	540	127	116
WA	30	26	33	110	127
Oth Sts	41	46	48	117	104
US	*1,888	1,884	2,199	116	117

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United States Cattle on Feed 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots

Million Head

